

Food and Drug Administration Rockville, MD 20857

NDA 50-551/S-042

Pfizer Inc. Attention: Rita Wittich Vice President, Worldwide Regulatory Strategy 235 East 42nd Street New York, NY 10017

Dear Ms. Wittich:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug application dated February 11, 2002, received February 11, 2002, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Cefobid (cefoperazone sodium) Injection. We note that this application is subject to the exemption provisions contained in section 125(d)(2) of Title I of the FDA Modernization Act of 1997.

This supplemental new drug application provides for addition of updated language to the **PRECAUTIONS**, **Geriatric Use** subsection, in accordance with the Final Rule entitled "Specific Requirements on Content and Format of Labeling for Human Prescription Drugs: Addition of 'Geriatric Use' Subsection in the Labeling".

We have completed the review of this supplemental application and have concluded that adequate information has been presented to demonstrate that the drug product is safe and effective for use as recommended in the agreed upon labeling text. Accordingly, the supplemental application is approved effective on the date of this letter.

The final printed labeling (FPL) must be identical to the enclosed labeling (package insert submitted February 11, 2002).

Please submit the copies of final printed labeling (FPL) electronically according to the guidance for industry titled *Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format - NDA* (January 1999). Alternatively, you may submit 20 paper copies of the FPL as soon as it is available but no more than 30 days after it is printed. Please individually mount ten of the copies on heavy-weight paper or similar material. For administrative purposes, this submission should be designated "FPL for approved supplement NDA 50-551/S-042." Approval of this submission by FDA is not required before the labeling is used.

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If a letter communicating important information about this drug product (i.e., a "Dear Health Care Professional" letter) is issued to physicians and others responsible for patient care, we request that you submit a copy of the letter to this NDA and a copy to the following address:

MEDWATCH, HF-2 FDA 5600 Fishers Lane Rockville, MD 20857

We remind you that you must comply with the requirements for an approved NDA set forth under 21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81.

If you have any questions, call LTJG Raquel Peat, Regulatory Health Project Manager, at (301) 827-2125.

Sincerely,

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